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SUBJECT:LETTER TO FOREIGN SECRETARY CROSLAND

1. PLEASE DELIVER THE FOLLOWING LETTER FROM THE SECRETARY
TO FOREIGN SECRETARY CROSLAND:

BEGIN TEXT:

"DEAR TONY:

"AS YOU KNOW, THE ZAMBIANS HAVE ASKED FOR A MEETING OF
THE SECURITY COUNCIL BEGINNING JULY 26 TO CONSIDER THE
JULY 11 SOUTH AFRICAN RAID INTO ZAMBIAN TERRITORY. PRESI-
DENT KAUNDA IS SENDING HIS FOREIGN MINISTER TO NEW YORK TO
PRESENT THE ZAMBIAN CASE.

"THE ZAMBIAN INITIATIVE IN THE SECURITY COUNCIL,
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ESPECIALLY IF IT LEADS TO CHAPTER VII ACTION AGAINST SOUTH

AFRICA, WOULD BE MOST UNHELPFUL AT THIS POINT AND WORK AT CROSS PURPOSES WITH THE COURSE OF ACTION YOU AND I ARE PURSUING IN SOUTHERN AFRICA. THE SORT OF PRESSURE KAUNDA IS GENERATING WILL NOT, IN MY JUDGMENT, HELP TO PERSUADE SOUTH AFRICA TO TAKE THE MOVES WE ALL THINK ARE NECESSARY BY THE END OF AUGUST. I UNDERSTAND, IN FACT, THAT VORSTER

DID NOT AUTHORIZE THE RAID AND HAD NO PRIOR KNOWLEDGE OF IT.

"I AM WRITING KENNETH KAUNDA SEPARATELY AND ASKING HIM TO MODERATE HIS APPROACH IN THE SECURITY COUNCIL. I AM SUGGESTING THAT HE SEEK A RESOLUTION TO WHICH ALL INTERESTED PARTIES WILL BE ABLE TO JOIN, ONE REASONABLE ENOUGH SO AS NOT TO JEOPARDIZE THE APPROACHES WE HAVE UNDERTAKEN WITH THE SOUTH AFRICANS.

"AS YOU KNOW, I HAVE KEPT KAUNDA INFORMED OF OUR MOVES IN SOUTHERN AFRICA AND I AM SURE THAT HE UNDERSTANDS WHAT IS AT STAKE. I DO NOT BELIEVE THAT THE TWO OF US NEED TO CONTACT KAUNDA AT THIS POINT. HOWEVER, IT WOULD BE USEFUL IF YOU COULD INSTRUCT IVOR RICHARD TO STAY IN CLOSE TOUCH WITH BILL SCRANTON AND ZAMBIAN FOREIGN MINISTER MWALE IN NEW YORK, IN AN EFFORT TO WORK OUT A MODERATE RESOLUTION. IF YOU BELIEVE IT USEFUL TO ACT IN THE CONTEXT OF THE EC-9, YOU MIGHT ALSO CONTACT THE ITALIANS AND THE FRENCH AND ASK THEM TO PUT THEIR WEIGHT BEHIND EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE A REASONABLE OUTCOME.

"I LOOK FORWARD TO HAVING YOUR VIEWS ON THIS MATTER.

"WARM REGARDS,"

"HENRY A. KISSINGER" END TEXT

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